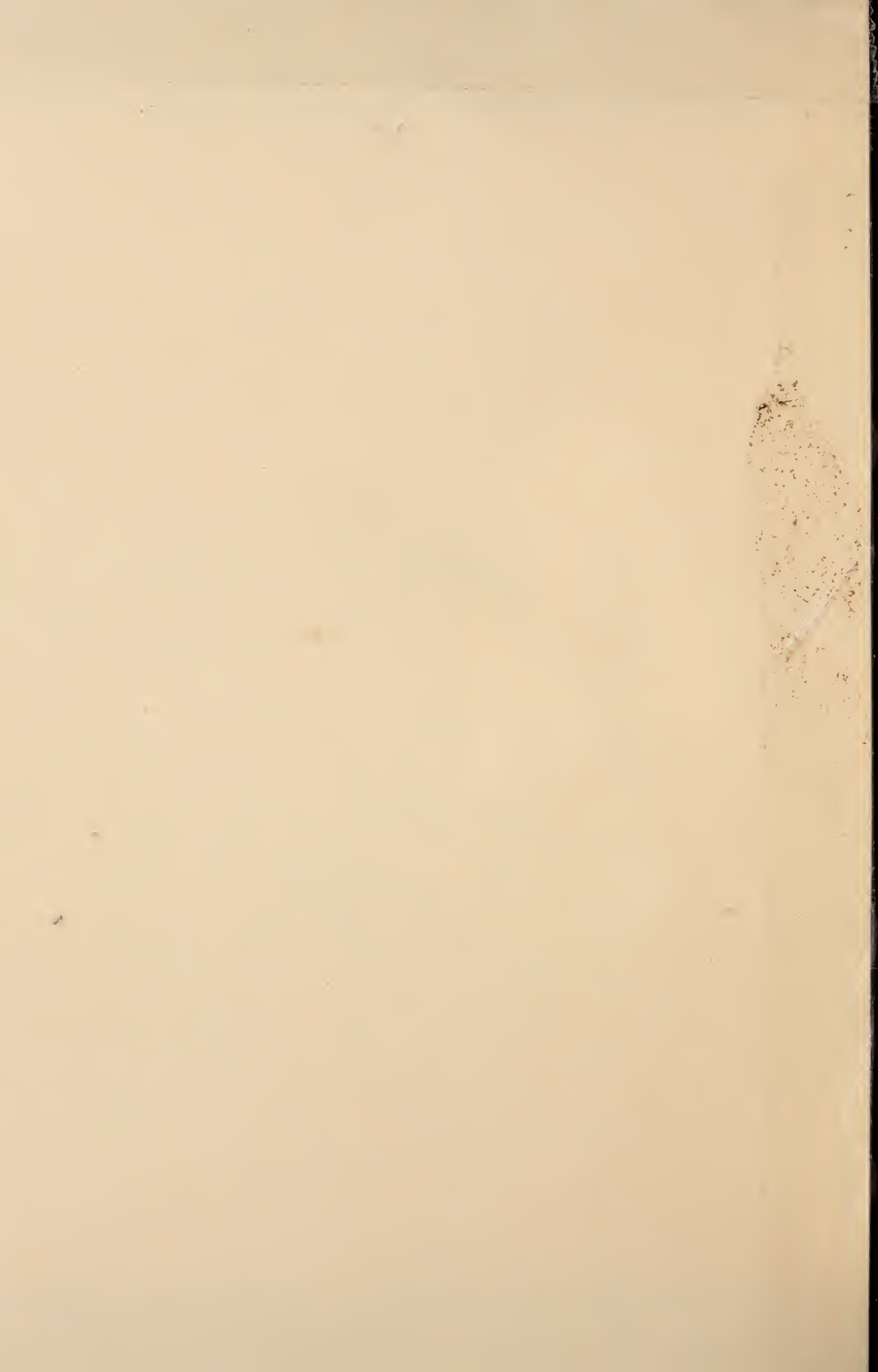


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IMPORTS AND EXPORTS FOR 1893, 1894, AND 1895.

The subjoined statements show the values of merchandise imported into and exported from the United States, by countries, for the years ending June 30, 1893, 1894, and 1895, together with the increase or decrease in 1895 as compared with each of the two preceding years. It is deemed inadvisable to include the fiscal year 1892, as the coincidence of our immense wheat crop in 1891, with the pronounced failure of this cereal throughout the greater part of Europe, swelled our export values to such unusually high figures as to make that year unavailable as a basis for comparison. The following figures, giving the values of domestic merchandise exported classed as agricultural and nonagricultural, for the six years ending June 30, 1895, show that the important increase in our export values for 1892 was wholly due to increase in agricultural exports. Wheat, wheat flour, and rye alone were exported in 1892 to the value of nearly \$110,000,000 in excess of our average export values during the six years 1890 to 1895.

Exports of domestic merchandise from the United States.

	Years ending June 30—					
	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.
Total exports of domestic merchandise.	\$845,293,828	\$872,270,283	\$1,015,732,011	\$831,030,785	\$869,204,937	\$793,397,890
Agricultural exports.	629,820,808	642,751,344	799,328,232	615,382,986	628,363,038	553,215,317
Exports, nonagricultural.	215,473,020	229,518,939	216,403,779	215,647,799	240,841,899	240,182,573

These figures indicate a large falling off in the value of agricultural exports for 1895 as compared with preceding years. As compared with the average of the six years, 1890 to 1895, our agricultural exports fell

short by about \$90,000,000. This shortage is mainly due to shrinkage of prices. The unprecedentedly low prices of wheat (including flour) and cotton in Europe brought our export values of these articles for 1895 down to \$300,000,000. If the same prices for these products had been obtained that ruled in 1892, the quantities exported during 1895 would have brought into our coffers the sum of \$460,000,000, and even at the prices ruling during the preceding year \$390,000,000 would have been realized for wheat and cotton, instead of \$300,000,000. It is gratifying to know that the worst seems to be over, and that the prices of both these products are higher now than they were a short time ago.

EXPORTS.

The table of exports shows that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895, we sold to foreign nations \$808,000,000 worth of merchandise, which is \$85,000,000 less than in the preceding year and \$40,000,000 less than in 1893. This falling off is attributable to the depreciation in the prices of our commodities, occasioned by the lessened demand for them in foreign markets. How much the lower prices paid for our commodities contributed toward bringing down the total value of our exports can be seen from the following statement: In 1894 the United States exported 2,683,000,000 pounds of cotton, valued at \$211,000,000. In the following year our exports rose to 3,517,000,000 pounds, but they were valued at only \$205,000,000, or \$6,000,000 less than the much smaller quantity of the preceding year. If the average export price of cotton for the fiscal year 1894-95 had been the same as for the preceding year, the total value of our cotton exported would have reached \$277,000,000 instead of \$205,000,000. Had prices remained stationary, our bacon would have brought \$42,000,000 instead of \$38,000,000, and our lard \$43,000,000 instead of \$37,000,000. The above-named three kinds of merchandise alone, if sold at former prices, would have brought up the total value of our exports nearly to the figures of the preceding year. The retrograde movement of exports both as to quantity and value is very pronounced in the following commodities:

Commodities.	1894.	1895.
Wheat flour.....	\$69,000,000	\$52,000,000
Wheat.....	59,000,000	44,000,000
Corn.....	30,000,000	15,000,000
Oleomargarine, raw.....	12,000,000	7,000,000
Seeds.....	8,000,000	3,000,000
Cheese.....	7,200,000	5,500,000
Butter.....	2,100,000	900,000
Hops.....	3,800,000	1,900,000
Hides and skins.....	3,900,000	2,300,000
Oil cake.....	8,800,000	7,200,000
Copper.....	19,200,000	13,900,000

There were only slight fluctuations in the value of the exports of the following species of merchandise:

Commodities.	1894.	1895.
Tobacco, raw	\$24,000,000	\$25,800,000
Wood of all kinds	27,700,000	27,100,000
Cotton cloths	11,500,000	10,500,000
Coal	11,900,000	11,100,000
Animals, live	35,700,000	35,800,000
Agricultural implements	5,000,000	5,400,000
Sole leather	6,500,000	6,900,000
Other leather	6,300,000	6,700,000
Furs and skins	4,200,000	3,900,000

The following commodities show an increase more or less marked in the export value for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1895, as compared with the preceding year:

Commodities.	1894.	1895.
Mineral oil:		
Refined	\$37,000,000	\$41,500,000
Crude	4,400,000	5,200,000
Fish, all kinds (chiefly canned salmon)	3,500,000	4,300,000
Fruits and nuts	2,400,000	5,000,000
Manufactures of iron and steel	29,200,000	32,000,000
Cotton-seed oil	6,000,000	6,800,000
Fertilizers	5,000,000	5,700,000
Wine	444,000	602,000

Distribution of exports from the United States among the six principal countries of destination for the years ending June 30, 1893, 1894, and 1895.

Countries of destination.	1893.		1894.		1895.	
	Value.	Per cent of total.	Value.	Per cent of total.	Value.	Per cent of total.
United Kingdom	\$421,134,551	49.7	\$431,059,267	48.3	\$387,170,655	47.9
British Possessions	80,025,460	9.4	92,247,703	10.3	86,892,406	10.8
Total	501,160,011	59.1	523,306,970	58.6	474,063,061	58.7
Germany	83,578,988	9.9	92,357,163	10.4	92,053,953	11.4
Canada	46,794,331	5.6	56,664,094	6.4	52,894,916	6.6
France	46,619,138	5.5	55,315,511	6.2	45,034,781	5.6
Netherlands	38,505,193	4.5	43,570,312	4.9	31,011,775	3.8
Belgium	26,740,434	3.2	28,422,989	3.2	25,356,936	3.1

Nearly 90 per cent of the total exports of merchandise were shipped to the countries mentioned in the foregoing table.

TOTAL DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MERCHANDISE.

The following is the total value in round numbers of the domestic and foreign merchandise (dutiable and free of duty) exported from the United States to foreign countries for the fiscal years 1893, 1894, and 1895:

Exports.	1893.	Per cent of total.	1894.	Per cent of total.	1895.	Per cent of total.
Domestic	\$831,031,000	98	\$869,205,000	97	\$793,398,000	98
Foreign	16,634,000	2	22,936,000	3	14,141,000	2
Total	847,665,000	100	892,141,000	100	807,539,000	100

The principal articles of foreign merchandise exported from the United States for the years indicated came from the West Indies, Mexico, and Canada, and consisted mostly of sugar, coffee, hides and skins other than fur skins, rubber, lead, and tobacco.

Exports of merchandise, exclusive of the precious metals, from the United States, by countries, for the years ending June 30, 1893, 1894, and 1895.

Countries	1893.	1894.	1895.	Excess (+) or deficiency (-) of 1895 as compared with 1893.	Excess (+) or deficiency (-) of 1895 as compared with 1894.	In- crease or de- crease 1893- 95.	In- crease or de- crease 1894- 95.
United Kingdom....	\$421,134,551	\$431,059,267	\$387,170,655	-\$33,963,896	-\$43,883,612	<i>Pr. ct.</i> - 9	<i>Pr. ct.</i> - 10
Germany.....	83,578,988	92,357,163	92,053,953	+ 8,474,965	- 303,210	+ 1	- 0.3
Canada.....	46,794,331	56,664,094	52,894,916	+ 6,100,585	- 3,769,178	+ 13	- 7
France.....	46,619,138	55,815,511	45,034,781	- 1,584,357	- 10,280,730	+ 3	- 19
Netherlands.....	38,505,193	43,570,312	31,011,775	- 7,493,418	- 12,558,537	- 19	- 29
Belgium.....	26,740,434	28,422,989	25,356,936	- 1,383,498	- 3,066,053	+ 5	- 11
Italy.....	13,019,539	13,910,620	16,276,255	+ 3,256,716	+ 2,365,635	+ 25	+ 17
Brazil.....	12,388,124	13,866,006	15,165,069	+ 2,776,945	+ 1,299,063	+ 22	+ 9
Mexico.....	19,568,634	12,842,149	15,005,903	+ 4,562,731	+ 2,163,754	- 23	+ 17
Spanish West Indies	26,668,305	22,845,829	14,147,248	- 12,521,057	- 8,698,581	- 47	- 38
Spain.....	13,460,083	13,122,906	10,927,069	- 2,533,014	- 2,195,837	- 19	- 17
British Australasia	7,921,228	8,131,939	9,014,268	+ 1,093,040	+ 882,329	+ 14	+ 11
British West Indies	8,044,846	8,512,016	7,759,735	- 285,111	- 752,281	- 4	- 9
Central America....	5,522,586	5,231,981	6,629,369	+ 1,106,783	+ 1,397,388	+ 20	+ 27
Russia, European....	2,301,823	6,827,475	5,959,900	+ 3,658,077	- 867,575	+ 159	- 13
British Africa.....	3,688,999	3,983,883	5,200,275	+ 1,511,276	+ 1,216,392	+ 41	+ 31
Haiti.....	5,472,040	5,743,935	5,092,801	- 379,239	- 651,134	- 7	- 11
Sweden and Norway.	4,084,704	4,391,046	4,648,101	+ 563,397	+ 257,055	+ 14	+ 6
Japan.....	3,195,494	3,986,815	4,634,655	+ 1,439,161	+ 647,840	+ 45	+ 16
Argentina.....	4,979,696	4,862,746	4,455,600	- 524,096	- 407,146	- 11	- 8
Hongkong.....	4,216,602	4,209,847	4,172,280	- 44,322	- 37,567	- 2	- 1
Venezuela.....	4,207,661	4,137,163	3,740,464	- 467,197	- 396,699	- 11	- 10
Hawaii.....	2,827,663	3,306,187	3,720,177	+ 892,514	+ 413,990	+ 32	+ 13
China.....	3,900,457	5,862,426	3,603,365	- 297,092	- 2,259,061	+ 8	- 39
Denmark.....	5,270,434	5,050,837	3,475,326	- 1,795,108	- 1,575,511	- 34	- 31
Portugal.....	5,727,334	5,194,231	2,971,301	- 2,756,033	- 2,222,930	- 48	- 43
British India.....	3,152,760	4,329,103	2,855,091	- 297,669	- 1,474,012	- 8	- 34
Chile.....	2,980,831	2,272,530	2,791,099	- 189,732	+ 518,569	+ 6	+ 23
Colombia.....	3,155,777	2,784,634	2,596,302	- 559,475	- 188,332	- 18	- 7
Austria-Hungary...	571,037	527,509	2,125,772	+ 1,554,735	+ 1,598,263	+ 272	+ 303
Santo Domingo.....	1,143,479	1,768,602	1,852,505	+ 709,026	+ 83,903	+ 62	+ 5
British Guiana.....	2,000,675	2,414,720	1,705,219	- 295,456	- 709,501	- 15	- 29
French West Indies.	1,818,955	1,848,808	1,585,355	- 233,600	- 263,453	- 13	- 14
Uruguay.....	960,606	1,015,171	1,262,001	+ 301,395	+ 246,830	+ 31	+ 24
Dutch East Indies...	1,183,605	1,722,876	1,154,515	- 29,090	- 568,361	- 2	- 33
Newfoundland and Labrador.....	1,834,177	1,649,129	1,126,999	- 707,178	- 522,130	- 39	- 32
Bermudas.....	962,116	923,876	821,564	- 140,552	- 107,312	- 15	- 12
Ecuador.....	817,425	761,178	733,341	- 82,084	- 25,837	- 10	- 3
Peru.....	636,721	591,377	630,385	- 6,336	+ 39,008	+ 1	+ 7
Dutch West Indies..	752,703	598,267	619,420	+ 133,283	+ 21,153	- 18	+ 4
Danish West Indies.	604,323	581,959	495,216	- 109,107	- 86,743	- 18	- 15
British Honduras...	405,168	320,923	402,833	+ 2,335	+ 81,910	+ 1	+ 26
Gibraltar.....	434,226	508,086	381,875	- 52,351	- 126,211	- 12	- 25
Dutch Guiana.....	373,359	390,857	343,509	- 29,850	- 47,348	- 8	- 12
French Africa.....	413,871	215,947	328,250	+ 85,621	+ 112,303	+ 3	+ 52
Azores and Madeira.	293,88	294,933	258,784	- 35,103	- 36,149	- 12	- 12
French Oceanica....	296,208	330,590	252,651	- 43,557	- 77,939	- 15	- 24
Greece.....	130,461	124,449	239,414	+ 108,953	+ 114,965	+ 84	+ 92
Canary Islands.....	209,989	203,257	232,997	+ 23,008	+ 29,740	+ 11	+ 15
Russia, Asiatic.....	145,591	163,855	202,897	+ 57,306	+ 39,042	+ 39	+ 24
Miquelon, Langley, etc.....	197,226	156,644	170,224	- 27,002	+ 13,580	- 14	+ 8
Madagascar.....	116,050	42,920	167,920	+ 51,870	+ 125,000	+ 45	+ 291
Turkey in Africa....	128,687	181,252	137,694	+ 9,007	+ 43,558	+ 7	- 24
Turkey in Asia.....	132,786	107,162	130,236	- 2,550	+ 23,074	- 2	+ 22
Philippine Islands..	154,373	145,466	119,255	- 35,123	- 26,211	- 23	- 18
Portuguese Africa..	200,075	86,250	109,358	+ 90,717	+ 23,108	- 45	+ 27
French Guiana.....	113,353	105,857	90,661	- 22,692	- 15,196	- 20	- 14
French East Indies.	156,020	193,049	69,136	- 86,884	- 123,913	- 56	- 64
All other British Possessions.....	570,332	595,087	557,351	- 12,981	- 37,736	- 2	- 5
Other countries.....	779,450	769,876	865,127	+ 85,677	+ 95,251	+ 11	+ 12
Total.....	847,665,194	892,140,572	807,539,133	- 40,126,061	- 84,601,439	- 5	- 9

IMPORTS.

The value of merchandise imported during the year ending June 30, 1895, was \$732,000,000, as against \$655,000,000 during the preceding year. It may be noted incidentally that the value of dutiable merchandise imported increased from \$275,000,000 in 1894 to \$369,000,000 in 1895, while merchandise free of duty showed a decrease from \$380,000,000 to \$363,000,000 for the two years.

The only articles presenting a considerable decrease were lead and sugar, the imports being as follows:

Commodities.	1894.	1895.
Lead	\$6,600,000	\$2,500,000
Sugar and molasses	126,900,000	76,500,006

An increase in import values is shown in varying degrees in the following articles:

Commodities.	1894.	1895.
Animals, live.....	\$2,400,000	\$2,700,000
Art works.....	1,700,000	3,800,000
Chemicals, drugs, and dyes.....	37,600,000	43,600,000
Coffee.....	90,300,000	96,100,000
Breadstuffs.....	2,200,000	2,900,000
Cotton:		
Raw	3,000,000	4,700,000
Manufactures of.....	22,300,000	33,200,000
Cacao.....	2,400,000	3,200,000
Earthen, stone, and china ware.....	6,900,000	9,000,000
Furs and manufactures thereof.....	7,600,000	10,300,000
Hides and skins.....	16,800,000	26,100,000
India, rubber, raw.....	15,200,000	18,500,000
Leather.....	4,500,000	6,900,000
Leather gloves.....	4,400,000	6,500,000
Oils.....	3,900,000	5,100,000
Rice.....	2,400,000	3,400,000
Seeds.....	2,400,000	6,500,000
Silk:		
Raw	16,200,000	22,600,000
Manufactures of.....	24,800,000	31,200,000
Textile grasses and other vegetable fibers:		
Raw	12,200,000	13,300,000
Manufactures of.....	19,400,000	26,300,000
Tin, crude.....	2,600,000	6,800,000
Tobacco, leaf.....	11,000,000	14,700,000
Wool:		
Raw	6,100,000	25,600,000
Manufactures of.....	19,400,000	36,500,000

Distribution of imports into the United States among the six principal countries of supply for the years ending June 30, 1893, 1894, and 1895.

Countries of supply.	1893.		1894.		1895.	
	Value.	Per cent of total.	Value.	Per cent of total.	Value.	Per cent of total.
United Kingdom.....	\$182,859,769	21	\$107,372,995	16	\$159,119,698	22
British Possessions.....	97,642,102	11	71,000,478	11	78,846,243	11
Total.....	280,501,871	32	178,372,473	27	237,965,941	33
Germany.....	96,210,203	11	69,387,905	11	81,011,443	11
Brazil.....	76,222,138	9	79,360,159	12	78,831,476	11
France.....	76,076,215	9	47,549,974	7	61,560,063	8
Spanish West Indies.....	82,715,129	9	78,813,895	12	54,312,468	7
Canada.....	37,777,463	4	30,790,916	5	36,534,211	5

Imports of merchandise, exclusive of the precious metals, into the United States, by countries, for the years ending June 30, 1893, 1894, and 1895.

Countries.	1893.	1894.	1895.	Excess (+) or deficiency (-) of 1895 as compared with 1893.	Excess (+) or deficiency (-) of 1895 as compared with 1894.	In- crease or de- crease 1893- 95.	In- crease or de- crease 1894- 95.
						<i>Per. ct.</i>	<i>Per. ct.</i>
United Kingdom..	\$182,859,769	\$107,372,995	\$159,119,698	-\$23,740,071	+\$51,746,703	-13	+48
Germany.....	96,210,203	69,387,905	81,011,443	-15,198,760	+11,623,538	-16	+17
Brazil.....	76,222,138	79,360,159	78,831,476	+2,609,338	-528,683	+3	-0.6
France.....	76,076,215	47,549,974	61,560,063	-14,516,152	+14,010,089	-19	+29
Spanish W. Indies.	82,715,129	78,813,895	54,312,468	-28,402,661	-24,501,427	-34	-31
Canada.....	37,777,463	30,790,916	36,534,211	-1,243,252	+5,743,295	-3	+19
Japan.....	27,454,220	19,426,522	23,682,583	-3,771,637	+4,256,061	-14	+22
British India.....	25,968,554	14,829,661	21,287,540	-4,681,014	+6,457,879	-18	+44
Italy.....	26,250,241	18,006,075	20,851,761	-5,398,480	+2,845,686	-21	+16
China.....	20,636,535	17,135,028	20,544,792	-91,743	+3,409,764	-0.4	+20
Mexico.....	33,555,099	28,727,006	15,628,746	-17,926,353	-13,098,260	-53	-45
Netherlands.....	17,448,948	10,690,979	15,186,535	-2,262,413	+4,495,556	-13	+42
Switzerland.....	16,010,728	11,450,270	15,001,496	-1,009,232	+3,551,226	-6	+31
Central America..	8,304,946	9,769,049	11,580,744	+3,275,798	+1,811,695	+39	+19
Belgium.....	11,166,196	8,609,819	10,152,581	-1,013,615	+1,542,762	-9	+18
Venezuela.....	3,625,118	3,464,481	10,073,951	+6,448,833	+6,609,470	+178	+191
British W. Indies.	16,028,592	13,017,178	9,777,444	-6,251,148	+3,239,734	-39	-25
Hawaii.....	9,146,767	10,065,317	7,888,961	-1,257,806	+2,176,356	-14	-22
Dutch East Indies.	8,696,588	11,278,725	7,727,282	-969,306	+3,551,443	-11	-31
Argentina.....	5,239,095	3,497,030	7,675,270	+2,436,175	+4,178,240	+46	+119
Austria-Hungary..	10,054,501	6,896,341	6,511,876	-3,542,625	-384,465	-35	-6
Philippine Islands	9,159,857	7,008,342	4,731,366	-4,428,491	-2,276,976	-48	-32
British Australasia	7,266,808	4,017,025	4,721,044	-2,545,764	+704,019	-35	+18
Chile.....	3,995,441	3,536,197	4,465,561	+470,120	+929,364	+12	+26
Turkey in Africa..	3,438,925	2,208,029	3,719,238	-280,313	+1,511,209	+8	+68
Colombia.....	3,572,918	2,234,887	3,713,682	+140,764	+1,478,795	+4	+66
Russia in Europe..	5,735,096	2,851,270	3,575,388	-2,159,708	+724,118	-37	+25
Spain.....	5,694,553	4,255,875	3,566,656	-2,127,897	-689,219	-37	-16
Turkey in Asia...	3,533,197	2,204,973	3,047,891	-485,306	+842,918	-13	+38
Haiti.....	736,021	840,046	2,746,539	+2,010,518	+1,906,493	+273	+227
Uruguay.....	1,623,380	1,419,573	2,699,648	+1,076,268	+1,280,075	+66	+90
British Guiana....	5,029,178	4,223,970	2,521,704	-1,507,474	-1,702,266	-50	-40
Sweden and Nor- way.....	4,176,384	3,112,066	2,517,773	-1,658,611	-594,293	-40	-19
Turkey in Europe..	2,215,464	1,657,218	2,097,702	-117,762	+440,484	-5	+27
Portugal.....	2,689,731	2,030,966	1,689,226	-1,000,505	+341,740	-37	-17
Santo Domingo....	2,396,315	3,200,852	1,514,583	-881,732	-1,686,269	-37	-53
Dutch Guiana.....	1,079,710	1,078,541	855,508	-224,202	-223,033	-21	-21
Ecuador.....	960,228	816,484	821,666	-138,562	+5,182	-14	+0.6
British Africa.....	716,376	464,087	776,231	+59,855	+312,144	+8	+67
Hongkong.....	878,078	892,511	762,236	-115,842	-130,275	-13	-15
Peru.....	819,168	491,384	473,315	-345,853	-18,069	-42	-4
Bermuda Islands..	759,846	444,595	461,707	-298,139	+17,112	-39	+4
Russia in Asia....	381,919	355,476	441,013	+59,094	+85,537	+15	+24
Newfoundland and Labrador.....	408,879	535,815	431,836	+22,957	-103,979	+6	-19
Denmark.....	235,855	194,900	345,835	+109,980	+150,935	+46	+77
Greece.....	1,283,557	797,281	327,201	-956,356	-470,080	-74	-59
French Africa.....	309,327	99,099	282,698	-26,629	+183,599	-9	+185
Danish W. Indies.	547,626	511,970	238,775	-308,851	-273,195	-56	-53
French Oceania....	423,946	367,239	209,771	-214,175	-157,468	-51	-43
Miquelon, Lang- ley, etc.....	67,691	117,255	185,213	+117,522	+67,958	+174	+58
British Honduras..	155,171	112,959	181,809	+26,638	+68,850	+17	+61
Dutch W. Indies..	271,594	62,687	176,408	-95,186	+113,721	-35	+181
Greenland, Ice- land, etc.....	110,613	170,215	127,329	+16,716	-42,886	+15	-25
Madagascar.....	218,196	210,721	68,675	-149,521	-142,046	-69	-67
Canary Islands....	39,523	23,123	48,394	+8,871	+25,271	+22	+109
French W. Indies.	8,340	18,336	27,630	+19,290	+9,294	+231	+51
Azores and Ma- deira Islands....	27,011	10,234	25,914	-1,097	+15,680	-4	+153
French Guiana....	35,965	23,400	25,065	-10,900	+1,665	-30	+7
All other British Possessions.....	2,653,157	1,671,761	1,390,481	-1,262,676	-281,280	-48	-17
Other countries....	1,298,833	583,935	1,004,244	-294,589	+420,309	-23	+72
Total.....	866,400,922	654,994,622	731,957,876	-134,443,046	+76,963,254	-15	+12



